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TO MR. CARY

FROM:

DATE 12 December 1975

SUBJECT: Option X

SUSPENSE DATE _____

NOTE: Discussed at 9:00 meeting at length, basically from tactical standpoint.

I made two points:

1) Executive proposes, Congress disposes -- thus rather than submerge what we feel is institutionally sound option in an otherwise number of options which we think are unsound, we should push our option and let it stand out as the DCI's when and if Congress legislates on the subject and seek what was the Agency's views when these plans were concocted since it is that Agency and its independence that Congress will most likely insist be preserved.

2) The other point was to distinguish the membership of the DCI on the NSC so that unlike the other options our option recognizes the impropriety of the DCI being a military and foreign policy advisor to the President.

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ACTION REQUIRED BY GLC: For your information

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The outcome is that Lehman will revise their presentation to group of our option to get a commitment that it will not be tinkered with and identified as an Agency option and if he cannot get this commitment, then he will say it will be provided directly to the President from Mr. Colby.